

Application No. 09/839,451
Response dated April 4, 2006
Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 28, 2006

Docket No. 4232-4002

REMARKS

In view of the foregoing, the reasons for non-compliance having been removed, Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the March 17, 2006 Amendment (as hereby placed in compliance) in its entirety. In view of the March 17, 2006 Amendment, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below if any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this application.

The Examiner's consideration of this matter is gratefully acknowledged.

AUTHORIZATION

No fees or petitions for extension of time are believed necessary for this paper. However, should an extension of time be required, such is hereby petitioned and to the extent that any fees are due, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge any such fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 (Order No. 4232-4002).

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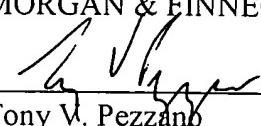
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